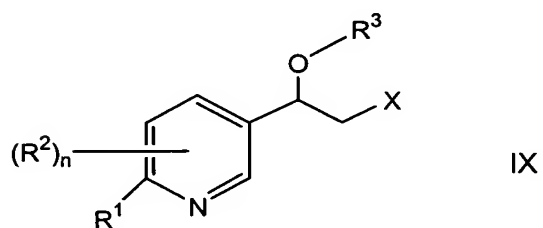


Process for Preparing Substituted Pyridines

Abstract

A process for preparing a compound of the formula



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wherein n, R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup>, R<sup>3</sup> and X are as defined above, used as an intermediate in the synthesis of  $\beta$ -adrenergic receptor agonists.